

**The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
June 5 2015.**

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on June 5, 2015.

Board Chair, Michael Daley, called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including:

District I representative Michael Daley – Chair

District II representative Jennifer Venable-Humphrey- Secretary

District III representative Valeri White

District IV representative Amy Smith

District V representative Esophia Clayborn – Vice Chair

Ellen Leonard, Assistant Attorney General, and Executive Director Brenda Holden were present for the meeting.

Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by a show of hands. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State and posted on the Secretary of State website.

Approval of Minutes:

A copy of the minutes from the March 20, 2015 Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. Valeri White made a motion to approve the minutes. Espophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority with Jennifer Venable-Humphrey and Amy Smith abstaining.

Old Board Business:

- a. Brenda Holden updated the Board on the status of complaints. There are four (4) open complaints – Three (3) under investigation and (1) to be closed.
- b. The Board reviewed the listing of new licensees. Esophia Clayborn made a motion to approve the list of new licensees. Amy Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- c. The Board reviewed, discussed and accepted documentation submitted by Carolyn Cook regarding her settlement.
- d. Updates on:
 1. Impaired Professionals: Board discussed need for additional monitoring of impaired professionals. Sub Committee to research resources to provide monitoring with the cost being passed on to the licensee.
 2. Ethics Training: Board members discussed the ASWB guidelines for Ethics Continuing Educations. Jennifer Venable-

Humphrey made a motion to adopt said guidelines as the standard for Ethics training. Espohia Clayborn seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The link to guidelines will be made available via the Board's website.

3. Revision of Complaint Form: The Board reviewed discussed and accepted a revision to the complaint forms. Discussed amending forms to allow complainant to identify those sections of the law or Administrative code they believe to have been violated.

New Board Business:

- a. No Board members have been invited speak at to or have spoken since the last meeting held at Jacksonville State.
- b. The Board reviewed suggested guidelines for supervisors and supervision. The goal being greater consistency and quality in the supervision received. ASWB offers model standards for supervisors and supervision. A sub-committee consisting of Mike Daley, Espohia Clayborn and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey agreed to research and report to board recommendations for additional training and/or certification of supervisors.

The Board adjourned at 10:35 a.m. and resumed at 10:45 a.m.

Other Requests:

- a. The Board reviewed a number of requests from INR for CE approval. The following are the board's recommendations regarding each course.
 1. Hospice & Palliative Care (3 hr) **Yes**
 2. Gluten and the Brain (3 hr) **No**
 3. Understanding Diabetes (6 hr) **Yes**
 4. Antioxidants" A Balancing Act with Free Radicals (3 hr) **No**
 5. Brain Food: The Role of Nutrients in memory 7 Cognitive Function (3 hr) **No**
 6. Eating for Peak Performance (3 hr) **No**
 7. Eating Right at Midlife & Beyond (3 hr) **No**
 8. Food Cravings (3 hr) **Yes**
 9. Globesity (5 hr) **No**
 10. Pediatric Nutrition (4 hr) **No**
 11. Probiotics: The Good Bacteria (3 hr) **No**
 12. The Mediterranean Diet: An Approach to Better Health (3 hr) **No**
 13. Vitamin D: Vitamin, Hormones & Protector (3 hr) **No**
 14. Weight Perfect (6 hr) **No**
 15. Alzheimer's: Prevention of the Disease & Other Dementias (3 hr) **Yes**
 16. Cancer Prevention (3 hr) **No**
 17. Emotional & Social Intelligences (3 hr) **Yes**
 18. Keeping Balance & Preventing Falls (3 hr) **Yes**
 19. Memory Loss & Forgetfulness (3 hr) **Yes**
 20. Neurotransmitters: The Bridge of the Brain (3 hr) **No**
 21. Parkinson's Disease & ALS (3 hr) **No**
 22. Psychology of Bullying (3 hr) **Yes**
 23. Psychology of Relationships (4 hr) **Yes**
 24. Understanding Chronic Illness (4 hr) **Yes**

25. Viruses & Germs (6 hr) **No**

- b. The Board heard a request for reinstatement from Ms. Collete Peters for a medical waiver and to reinstate her license without penalty or fee. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey made a motion that the request be denied and referred the licensee to provisions made in the Administrative Code 34.30.26 for medical waivers and reinstatement. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- c. Susan Watts and Sara Ramino's request for CE approval for Darrow-Baldus Death Penalty – Defense College Weeklong Program, and Capital Habeas Unit - (CHU) National Conference has been held over until the next board meeting.
- d. The Board reviewed a request from Alissa Cohen-Lapidus for that CE's be awarded for her participation in the Positive Psychology. Request was reviewed, discussed and denied.
- e. Sally Meyer-Lewis requested a PIP without additional supervision. Amy Smith made a motion that the licensee be allowed to complete the remaining 3 months of supervision and resubmit her PIP application. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- f. The Board received a request from Jem Finley Lamb for a hardship waiver of late fee/reinstatement fees. The Board reviewed, discussed and denied this request. Additionally, the licensee will be cautioned against working without a valid license.
- g. Diane Wharton requests Continuing Education be granted retroactively to a program held by University of South Alabama. The Board reviewed, discussed and denied the request.
- h. Kristin Bedsole requested a CE waiver. Board reviewed, discussed and denied based on insufficient documentation.
- i. Leslie Pell Harris requested to renew license as inactive following the expiration. Request reviewed, discussed and denied. Licensee may pursue reinstatement through those means outlined in the Administrative Code.
- j. Rita A. Friga and Jennifer R Corbin will have their licenses suspended until the receipt of required CEU audits.
- k. Tommie P Gentry raised a concern about training received for which the Board granted CE approval. Matter was referred to counsel.

PIP Applications:

- a. Rhonda Pemberton–
Approved: Clinical Social Work
- b. Carolyn A. Adams –
Approved: Social Casework and Social Work Administration
Denied: Community Organization and Clinical Social Work
- c. Kara L Bernal-
Approved: Social Case Work

- d. Heather N Cathey -
Approved: Clinical Social Work
- e. Mallory H Giles -
Approved: Social Casework, Clinical Social Work
Denied: Social Work Administration and Community Organization
- f. Margo M Harwell-
Approved: Social Work Administration, Social Case Work and Clinical Social Work
- g. Carl H Hickey, Jr
Approved: Clinical Social Work
- h. Teri M Morgan -
Approved: Social Casework, Clinical Social Work
- i. Judith A Thompson -
Approved: Clinical Social Work and Social Casework
- j. Michelle N Couey -
Approved: Clinical Social Work, Social Casework
- k. Martha A Furio –
Approved: Clinical Social Work
- l. Layla S Niemann–
Approved: Social Casework and Clinical Social Work
- m. Mikal J Sabree –
Approved: Social Casework, Clinical Social Work
Denied: Community Organization
- n. Andrey Lampkin -
Approved: Clinical Social Work and Social Work Administration
Denied: Community Organization, Social Work Research, and Social Casework
- o. Brock Sellers–
Approved: Social Casework
Denied: Social Work Administration, Clinical Social Work
- p. Cody Espy -
Approved: Clinical Social Work
- q. Sandra J. Howard – (Adding to PIP)
Approved: Social Casework

**Proposed date and time of next meeting:
August 7, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:42 pm

Board Chair

Board Secretary

Michael Daley

Jennifer Venable-Humphrey